

Climate Change Adaption Coordination Summary

Objective/Role:

Incorporating the impacts of climate change to California's water resource management strategies must be regionally-based. Specific hydrologic impacts are determined by varying spatial and temporal conditions, stemming from micro-, state-, national-, or global-scale weather patterns. Only a regional approach will be appropriate in determining adaptation strategies (responding to hydrologic changes, and reducing their impact). Many climate change impacts are still not fully understood, or well-modeled at the scale necessary for detailed decision-making. But current developments in downscaled climate modeling and other research provide guidance for possible or likely projected ranges in temperature and precipitation, which can be used in planning efforts.

Key Deliverables:

Decision making guidance for incorporating climate change, TBD.
Other climate change related studies, data, or guidance materials.

Coordination Venues: DWR Regional climate change staff members and CWP Climate Change Work team members will attend and meet during or concurrent to Regional Planning Work Team meetings, Interest-Based Caucuses, and at times with the Analytical Tools and Data Work Team.

How to get involved:

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